

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

Get to know the Section of Business Law at the Committee Roundup and First-Timers' Reception on Thursday, April 1, 5:30-6:30 p.m. This casual, interactive reception, complete with complimentary cocktails and refreshments, is guaranteed to provide guests, both first-timers and Section veterans, with a profile of the Section's committee structure. Representatives from over 50 Section Committees will be on hand to discuss the latest developments in virtually all areas of business law. Take this time to join committees, talk with committee leaders, discuss and volunteer for upcoming projects, and learn about newly formed committees. Learn all you need to know about Section committees in one delightful hour!

The Welcome Reception on Thursday, April 1, will be one like never before — a celebration of music at the Experience Music Project. EMP, the multi-colored, widely curvy building designed by world-renowned architect Frank O. Gehry, will be a fun and exciting place to mix and mingle with your colleagues and friends! EMP is a place that captures and reflects the essence of rock 'n' roll, and it offers a musical experience unparalleled anywhere in the world. Transportation will be provided on Seattle's famous Monorail. Cocktails and hors d' oeuvres will be served beginning at 6:30 p.m.

REGISTRATION FEE

A \$99 registration fee allows registrants to attend all CLE programs (lunch is included) on Thursday, April 1, 2004.

Two easy ways to register:

1. Visit the website at www.abanet.org/buslaw/nbl.
2. Complete the registration form on page 21 of the 2004 Spring Meeting Brochure.

Looking for more? You can also attend the Section Spring Meeting for just \$200 more. The meeting registration form is also on page 21 of the 2004 Spring Meeting Brochure.

CLE CREDIT

Accreditation has been requested for this meeting from every state with mandatory continuing legal education (MCLE) requirements for lawyers. Please be aware that each state has its own rules and regulations, including its definition of "CLE." Certificates of Attendance will be available at the conclusion of the program or committee forum for both attendees and speakers. You can call 312-988-6217 for questions pertaining to the number of credit hours granted by each state starting two to three weeks before the program.

ACCOMMODATIONS

The Section will be headquartered in the Sheraton Seattle and the Westin Seattle. Make reservations as early as possible in order to be assured of accommodations, but definitely no later

than March 10, 2004. Reserve accommodations at either hotel by completing the appropriate side of the Hotel Reservation Form in the Section of Business Law 2004 Spring Meeting Brochure and returning it directly to the hotel of your choice, or go online at www.abanet.org/buslaw/2004spring/home.shtml and click on Hotel Information.

INTERNET CAFÉ/EXPO AREA

Throughout the meeting stop by the Section of Business Law Internet Café on the second floor of the Sheraton Seattle to check your e-mail, relax, enjoy refreshments, and visit with colleagues. Also, be sure to check out information on Section products, as well as information on products and services from exhibitors in the legal trade, at the Business Law Expo. The Section of Business Law Internet Café and Expo Area will be open Thursday, April 1, through Saturday, April 3. All registrants and guests are welcome!

GETTING THERE BY AIR

You can fly to ABA meetings with discounted airfares on the following carriers by purchasing your ticket under the ABA Discount Code. The ABA Discounted Meeting Airfares are available through your travel agent, directly from the airline, or from the ABA travel agency Tower Travel at 1-800-921-9190. To get the best airfares to ABA Meetings, make sure to ask your agent to determine the lowest airfare available for your itinerary and then apply the percent discount for which your reservation is eligible. Then ask the agent to quote the ZONE FARE for your itinerary. Most zone fares only require a 7-day advance purchase, do not require a Saturday night stay, are changeable and refundable, and require only a two-day minimum stay.

Airline	Discount Code	Phone Number
American Airlines	16666	800-433-1790
Delta Air Lines	189419A	800-241-6760
US Airways	36632473	877-874-7687

SERVICES FOR THE DISABLED

If special arrangements are required for an individual with a disability to attend this meeting, please contact Kimberly Falk, Meetings Manager at falkk@staff.abanet.org, no later than March 12, 2004.



EXTEND YOUR REACH



Section of Business Law



INSTITUTE FOR THE NEW BUSINESS LAWYER

Sheraton Seattle
April 1, 2004

Special Low Rate of \$99



REGISTER TODAY!



INSTITUTE FOR THE NEW BUSINESS LAWYER

9 "Business Law Basics" Programs plus networking events for only \$99.

For the first time, the Section will be holding an all-day institute that will provide a setting in which new business lawyers can obtain quality, introductory CLE at an affordable price, as well as be introduced to the many benefits of participating in the ABA and the Section of Business Law. The Institute for the New Business Lawyer will take place at the Sheraton Seattle on Thursday, April 1, 2004

The following programs will be presented:

- Banking Law 101 — A Survey Course for New Lawyers
- Commercial Litigators Are Business Lawyers Too
- Consumer Financial Services Law: What It Is, Why It's Important and How to Do It
- Decoding the Uniform Commercial Code
- Everything You Want to Know About How Bankruptcy Affects Your Business Law Practice
- Nuts and Bolts of Mergers and Acquisitions
- Pathways to Success: How to Get Involved in the Section of Business Law
- Securities Law Basics
- Understanding and Documenting Commercial Loan Transactions: A Beginner's Guide

For more information or to register for the Institute for the New Business Lawyer, visit the website at www.abanet.org/buslaw/nbl

7:45 – 8:00 AM

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

8:00 – 9:30 AM CONCURRENT SESSIONS

EVERYTHING YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT HOW BANKRUPTCY AFFECTS YOUR BUSINESS LAW PRACTICE

Presented by: Committee on Business Bankruptcy

Program Chair: Timothy M. Lupinacci, Maynard Cooper & Gale PC, Birmingham, AL

In today's business environment, business clients are likely to face bankruptcy-related issues on a routine basis. It is not uncommon for the business lawyer to receive a call that necessitates a basic understanding of core bankruptcy principles in order to successfully counsel the client. This program will help answer some of the basic client questions that arise, including:

- What rights do I have now that my landlord/lessee files bankruptcy?
- Can we still acquire the company's assets even though they filed Chapter 11?
- Can I continue prosecuting my business litigation after the defendant filed Chapter 11?
- Does the Board of Directors have any greater obligations if the company is having financial difficulty?
- What is a preference and do I really have to give money back to these people who still owe me money?
- What bankruptcy related provisions do I need to include in mergers and acquisitions?

BANKING LAW 101 – A SURVEY COURSE FOR NEW LAWYERS

Presented by: Committee on Banking Law

Program Chairs: Edward McAniff, O'Melveny & Myers, Los Angeles, CA and *Martin E. Lybecker*, Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering, Washington, DC

This program will explore the Federal regulation of banks, including:

- the nature and range of activities in which they can be involved and products that they can sell, directly or through affiliates, such as
 - commercial, housing, and consumer lending
 - deposit-taking and payment systems

- trusts and investment management
- securities brokerage and underwriting
- insurance agency and underwriting
- other financial services activities

- transactions with affiliates
- international transactions
- customer privacy, anti-money laundering, and USA PATRIOT Act responsibilities

One of the hottest topics in the financial services world is the extent to which Federal laws can preempt state laws, including state consumer protections statutes, that significantly interfere with the activities of Federally-chartered depository institutions.

9:30 – 11:00 AM CONCURRENT SESSIONS

CONSUMER FINANCIAL SERVICES LAW: WHAT IT IS, WHY IT'S IMPORTANT AND HOW TO DO IT

Presented by: Committee on Consumer Financial Services

Program Chair: Lynne B. Barr, Goodwin Procter LLP, Boston, MA

Consumer financial services is a critical area of expertise for any new lawyer who wants to represent banks and other financial institutions or consumers with financial problems. This program will explore the themes underlying the regulation of mortgage loans and credit cards, electronic transactions, equal access to banking services and consumer information security and privacy. Opportunities for building a career in this ever-expanding area will also be discussed.

UNDERSTANDING AND DOCUMENTING COMMERCIAL LOAN TRANSACTIONS: A BEGINNER'S GUIDE

Presented by: Committee on Commercial Financial Services

Program Chair: Christopher J. Rockers, Husch & Eppenberger LLC, Kansas City, MO

This program will focus on a fact pattern involving an asset-based loan to a company in the process of closing an acquisition, and the panel will take the transaction through the typical stages of a commercial loan. We will follow the transaction through write-up and approval, commitment, due diligence, documentations, and closing. The panel will include lawyers with experience documenting deals of all sizes, but we will pay particular attention to issues raised and managed in midsize and smaller secured loans. We will focus on practical issues, including drafting closing checklists and indexes, and discuss problems encountered in negotiating the credit agreement and other documents. Bring your questions and issues.

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM CONCURRENT SESSIONS

DECODING THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE

Presented by: Committee on Uniform Commercial Code

Program Chair: Stephanie A. Heller, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, New York, NY

This program is a must for anyone who skipped UCC classes in law school and now finds themselves relying on their bar exam review course notes on the UCC. The program will introduce the structure of the Uniform Commercial Code and its commentary, the relationship between the various articles of the Code as well as the relationship between the Code, the common law and other relevant state and Federal laws. The panelists will share their own strategies for tackling Code related issues in their area of expertise.

SECURITIES LAW BASICS

Presented by: Committee on Federal Regulation of Securities

Program Chair: Kevin J. Harnisch, Fried Frank Harris Shriver & Jacobson, Washington, DC

Gain an understanding of the federal securities laws by learning how the different divisions of the SEC regulate and police them, and how state regulators and self-regulatory organizations are dramatically changing the enforcement landscape. You will hear insights and practical advice from practitioners with extensive experience with enforcement proceedings, the capital raising process, and advising regulated entities, such as brokerage firms and mutual funds.

12:30 – 2:00 PM

LUNCH

Speaker: To be announced

For more information and to register online,
check out www.abanet.org/buslaw/nbl

2:00 – 3:30 PM CONCURRENT SESSIONS

COMMERCIAL LITIGATORS ARE BUSINESS LAWYERS TOO

Presented by: Committee on Business and Corporate Litigation

Program Chair: Sandra J. Sutton-Simanski, Maurice & Needleman, P.C., Bridgewater, NJ

Commercial litigators are frequently interfacing with other business lawyers who specialize in transactional matters. This program will illustrate the various roles of the business litigator in addressing and resolving commercial disputes, and assisting clients to avoid such disputes and costly litigation. The panel will also address the skills which new lawyers must develop to advance these goals for clients.

NUTS AND BOLTS OF MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS

Presented by: Committee on Negotiated Acquisitions

Program Chair: David A. Gemunder, Fowler White Boggs Banker P.A., Tampa, FL

This program will cover M & A for beginners and will provide a basic introduction to the fundamentals of mergers and acquisitions, focusing on deal structure and the drafting and negotiation of letter of intent and definitive acquisition agreements.

3:30 – 5:00 PM

PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS: HOW TO GET INVOLVED IN THE SECTION OF BUSINESS LAW

Presented by: Committee on Diversity

Program Chair: Jackie Lewis Parker, Bank One, Wilmington, DE

Do you want to increase your network of business lawyers? Then you are a prime candidate to get involved with the Section of Business Law! The panel will discuss paths to leadership roles in the Section, Section programs and initiatives, ABA Relations and how to maximize your membership in the Section. Join the fun and be active. Let us show you how!

5:30 – 6:30 PM

COMMITTEE ROUNDUP AND FIRST-TIMERS' RECEPTION

6:30 – 8:00 PM

WELCOME RECEPTION